

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY

April 18, 2007

A Board meeting of the Georgia State Board of Optometry was held on Wednesday, April 18, 2007, at 10:04 a.m. at the Professional Licensing Boards, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

The following Board members were present:

Kay Royal, President

Bill Sharpton

Patricia Donnelly

R. Whitman Lord

H. Kemp Jones

Dudley Christie

Others Present: Sandy Bond, *Executive Director*, Gwen Dodson, *Administrative Assistant*, Ellen Morris, *Board Secretary*, Wylencia Monroe, *Assistant Attorney General*, Deborah Beard, *Compliance Manager*, Lynn Eason, *Enforcement*

Visitors Present (During Executive Session, visitors are excused unless scheduled for personal appearance.)

Victor Moldovan

President Royal established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

Dr. Sharpton moved, Dr. Jones seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. re-1-2(k)(1)(2), 43-1-19(h)(2)&(4), 43-1-2(k)(4) and 50-14-2(1) to discuss Applications, and to receive information from the Cognizant Report, Investigations and the Attorney General's Report. In favor of the motion were those present who included Board members Kay Royal, H. Kemp Jones, Dudley Christie, R. Whitman Lord, Bill Sharpton and Patricia Donnelly. The Board concluded the Executive Session in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

Agenda:

Dr. Jones moved, Dr. Sharpton seconded and the Board voted to approve the agenda as presented.

Minutes:

Dr. Christie moved, Dr. Jones seconded and the Board voted to approve the minutes from the January 12, 2007 meeting with corrections.

Correspondence Report:

The Board reviewed and discussed the list of potential examiners for the April and August 2007 Clinical Skills Examination. Dr. Royal moved, Dr. Christie seconded and the Board approved the list of examiners.

Executive Director Report:

Mrs. Bond discussed the following items of interest:

- E-mail from Dr. Sharpton regarding the Georgia Law Exam.
- Professional Licensing Board Call Center regarding use of FAQ's on website.

Attorney General's Report

Assistant Attorney General Monroe presented the Board with a Memorandum for proposed Rule 430-2-.04.

Dr. Jones moved, Dr. Sharpton seconded and the Board voted to amend the rule to change "licensing requirements" to remain as "continuing education."

Public Hearing: Proposed Rule 430-2-.04

Dr. Jones moved, Dr. Lord seconded and the Board voted to post the Notice of Intent to Adopt and the Notice of Hearing for the proposed rule change to rule 430-2-.04 as follows:

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A PROPOSED
AMENDMENT TO THE GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY RULES
CHAPTER 430-2; RULE 430-2-.04, CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS; APPROVAL OF
EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the authority set forth below, the Georgia State Board of Optometry (hereinafter "Board") proposes an amendment to the Georgia State Board of Optometry Rules, Chapter 430; Rule 430-2-.04 Continuing Education of Requirements; Approval of Educational Programs (herein after "proposed rule amendment").

This notice, together with an exact copy of the proposed rule amendment and a synopsis of the proposed rule amendment, is being mailed to all persons who have requested, in writing, that they be placed on a mailing list. A copy of this notice, an exact copy of the proposed rule amendment, and a synopsis of the proposed rule amendment may be reviewed during normal business hours of 8:00 A.M. to 5:30 P.M., Monday through Friday, except official State holidays, at the Office of the Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217. Copies may also be requested by contacting the Board office at (478) 207-2440.

A public hearing will be held at 10:30 a.m. on July 25, 2007 at the Secretary of State's Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive in Macon, Georgia 31217 to provide the public an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed rule amendment.

At the public hearing anyone may present data, make a statement, comment or offer a viewpoint or argument whether orally or in writing. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously recorded messages, must be submitted for official record. Oral statements should be concise and will be limited to five (5) minutes per person. Written comments are welcome. Such written comments must be legible and signed, should contain contact information from the maker (address, telephone number and/or facsimile number, etc.) and be actually received in the office prior to the close of business (5:30 P.M.) on July 18, 2007. Written comments should be addressed to Donald Munday, Acting Division Director, Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Boards Division, Georgia State Board of Optometry, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217. Telephone (478) 207-2440 or fax (478) 207-1660.

The Board will consider the proposed rule amendment for adoption at a meeting scheduled to begin at 10:35 a.m. on July 25, 2007 at the Secretary of State's Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive in Macon, Georgia 31217. According to the Department of Law, State of Georgia, the Georgia State Board of Optometry has the authority to adopt a proposed rule amendment to Rule 430-2-.04 pursuant to authority contained in O.C.G.A. §§ 43-30-5 and 43-30-8.

At its meeting on April 18, 2007, the Georgia State Board of Optometry voted that the formulation and adoption of this rule does not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee and any cost to comply with the proposed rule cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of O.G.C.A. §§ 43-30-5 and 43-30-8.

Additionally, at the meeting, the Board voted that it is not legal or feasible to meet the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§ 43-30-5 and 43-30-8 to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed in O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(3)(A), (B), (C) and (D). The formulation and adoption of these rules will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed, owned and operated in the field of optometry.

For further information, contact the Board office at (478) 207-2440.

This notice is given in compliance with O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4.

Donald Munday
Acting Division Director
Professional Licensing Boards

Posted:

**SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE
GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY RULES CHAPTER 430-2;
RULE 430-2-.04, CONTINUING EDUCATION OF REQUIREMENTS; APPROVAL OF EDUCATIONAL
PROGRAMS**

PURPOSE: The purpose of the proposed rule is to provide the standard for continuing education requirements for the Georgia State Board of Optometry licenses.

MAIN FEATURES: The main feature of the proposed rule is to condition the approval of educational programs upon the use of the ARBO-OE Tracker Program and to require that licensees maintain proof of attendance at continuing education programs for three years in case the hours are not registered by the program provider with the ARBO-OE Tracker Program.

**DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE EXISTING RULE AND THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE
GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY RULES, CHAPTER 430-2; RULE 430-2-.04, CONTINUING
EDUCATION OF REQUIREMENTS; APPROVAL OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS**

NOTE: Underlined text is proposed to be added; lined through text is proposed to be deleted.

Rule 430-2-.04 Continuing Education of Requirements; Approval of Educational Programs proposed addition as follows:

430-2-.04 Continuing Education of Requirements; Approval of Educational Programs.

(1) The Board has pre-approved continuing education (post-graduate) courses from schools and colleges of optometry accredited by the Council on Optometric Education of the American Optometric Association; a maximum of ten (10) hours per biennium in ophthalmologic related courses taught by the Medical College of Georgia, Emory University, Mercer University and Morehouse College; any courses offered by the American Optometric Association or its regional or state affiliates; the Society of Professional Optometrists of Georgia; the Council on Optometric Practice Education (C.O.P.E.) and any courses approved by C.O.P.E. All pre-approved continuing education providers must give notification of their courses on a timely basis to all Georgia Optometrists. Any other individual or organization desiring Board approval of an educational program sponsored by the individual or organization, or particular segments of such a program shall submit a request for approval to the State Board of Optometry, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217, not later than thirty (30) days prior to the scheduled date of such program. Each administrator of continuing education credit that gives credit to more than five doctors at any single event shall register all attendees and credits with the Association of Regulatory Boards of Optometry- OE Tracker Program. The Board will act on such request within thirty (30) days after receipt of the request for approval. Any request for Board approval of an educational program must include the following information:

(a) The identity of the sponsor, including:

1. The name and address of the sponsoring individual(s) or organization and a description of any organizational form (e.g., unincorporated association, non-profit corporation, etc.) and the date of organization;
2. The name and address of the principal officers of the sponsor.

(b) A description of the program, including:

1. With respect to each course for which approval is sought:

(i) the name and address of the instructor;

(ii) the title of the course;

- (iii) a brief biographical sketch of the instructor including a detailed description (curriculum vitae) of his/her academic qualifications and a listing of prior publications including published speeches, which relates to the subject matter of the course;
 - (iv) an outline of the proposed content;
 - (v) the number of hours for which approval is requested, including a specification of those hours relating to practice management.
2. The scheduled time and place of the course;
 3. A description of the method by which course attendance is to be monitored;
 4. The amount of any registration fee, tuition or other charge for attendance, including a statement of any difference in such charges, which depend on membership in the sponsoring organization;
 5. A sample of any advertisement or announcement intended to be employed concerning the program.
- (c) Such additional information as the Board may request in the course of its deliberations concerning the application for approval.
- (2) The following course content will not satisfy the continuing education requirement:
 - (a) Courses dealing with social and health trends;
 - (b) Any course unrelated to or not designed to enhance the professional skill of the practitioner;
 - (c) Courses conducted by any individual who is the owner of or is directly connected with any optical wholesale concern unless approved by the Board.
 - (3) A doctor of optometry is expected to ascertain in advance that the courses, which he/she attends, have received prior Board approval and do not fall within the exceptions of sub-part (2).
 - (4) Board approval of any educational program under this section relates to the program as proposed to the Board. In the event the actual program does not substantively correspond to the proposed program approved by the Board, the board will not give credit for that program under Code Section [43-30-8](#). The Board will not consider for approval the program as modified.
 - (5) Minimum hours required. Unless the Board gives written notice to each licensed doctor of Optometry prior to February 1 of the applicable year, the minimum number of hours of attendance at Board-approved education programs required for biennial renewal of license shall be 36. However, new licensees shall be required to obtain the following number of hours: none (0) in the first calendar year of licensure, 18 in the second calendar year of licensure, 36 per biennium beginning in the third calendar year of licensure. After the first calendar year of licensure, courses related to practice management shall be restricted to 4 hours biennially and must be related to patient care. After the first calendar year of licensure, of the total hours required, licensees practicing within the State shall obtain one (1) hour biennially of prior approved ethics and jurisprudence.
 - (a) Within the 36 or 18 hours of continuing education hours as set out in (5) above, whichever is required, licensees practicing within the State shall obtain one (1) hour biennially of prior approved ethics and jurisprudence. Georgia licensed optometrists that are not practicing within the state are not required to earn the one hour of ethics and jurisprudence.
 - (b) A maximum of eight (8) hours per biennium will be allowed as continuing education credit for grand rounds. One (1) hour credit will be allowed for every two (2) hours spent in grand rounds.

(c) A maximum of six (6) hours of continuing education credit will be allowed per biennium for any coursework that is offered by correspondence or electronic medium, which coursework is approved or sponsored by any provider identified in subparagraph (1) of this Rule.

(d) Effective January 1, 2006, of the thirty-six (36) required hours, a minimum of 18 hours per biennium is required for pharmacology and pathology as related to ophthalmologic conditions.

(6) Reporting and Auditing. The method of reporting and auditing continuing education shall be:

(a) At the time of license renewal, each Optometrist shall certify to the Board that he/she has completed the continuing education required for license renewal.

(b) The staff of the Professional Licensing Boards shall audit the continuing education of a percentage of licensees for compliance with all rules and regulations. This percentage shall not exceed 20% of the licensed Optometrists, randomly selected, in the State per biennium. However, continuing education shall be verified on all licensees through the Association of Regulatory Boards of Optometry-OE Tracker Program.

(c) Each licensed Optometrist shall maintain records of attendance and supporting documents for continuing education for a period of three (3) years from the date of attendance. These records of attendance may be used as proof of hours should the verification of hours not be registered with the Association of Regulatory Boards of Optometry- OE Tracker Program.

(d) Deferral of the requirement for education program hours may be considered by the Board. Requests for deferral must be submitted to the Board in writing and should include complete documentation of the reasons for the request. Deferral will be considered for the following reasons:

1. certified illness; and
2. hardship.

Authority O.C.G.A. §§ 43-30-5 and 43-30-8.

Miscellaneous

Dr. Jones, Dr. Christie seconded and the Board voted to post azithromycin to the formulary, if approved by the FDA.

Public Hearing

Discussion – Visitor Present

Mr. Victor Moldovan, attorney for the Georgia Society of Ophthalmology, appeared before the Board and presented the Board with a Petition for Repeal of Rule 430-5-.03. Mr. Victor Moldovan cited the previous objections to the rule at the February 2, 2007 Board Meeting.

The Board discussed the petition for repeal and the decision was as follows:

Dr. Lord moved, Dr. Christie seconded and the Board voted that "The Georgia State Board of Optometry having considered the petition for repeal of Rule 430-5-.03 denies the petition to repeal as submitted by Ms. Lasa Joiner on March 30, 2007. The Board has determined that the rule is authorized under the law, reasonable, and necessary for the protection of the public."

Assistant Attorney General Monroe discussed the petition for repeal of Rule 430-5-.03 brought forth by the Georgia Society of Ophthalmology. Assistant Attorney General Monroe presented the Board with an order denying petition to

repeal Rule 430-5-.03 to present to Lasa Joiner, Executive Director, of the Georgia Society of Ophthalmology signed and docketed April 18, 2007.

Dr. Jones moved, Mrs. Donnelly seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. re-1-2(k)(1)(2), 43-1-19(h)(2)&(4), 43-1-2(k)(4) and 50-14-2(1) to discuss Applications, and to receive information from the Cognizant Report, Investigations and the Attorney General's Report. In favor of the motion were those present who included Board members Kay Royal, H. Kemp Jones, Dudley Christie, R. Whitman Lord, Bill Sharpton and Patricia Donnelly. The Board concluded the Executive Session in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

Attorney General's Office:

OPT030039

Dr. Christie moved, Dr. Jones seconded and the Board voted to close all investigative cases and accept the cease and desist order. The Board also wanted Enforcement to follow-up with this individual to verify compliance.

Assistant Attorney General Monroe reported that a meeting took place between Attorney General Thurbert Baker, Georgianne Bearden and the GOA attorney regarding Wal-mart seeking to develop a program where Optometrists can supervise unlicensed people in their stores. Mrs. Bearden and the attorney for GOA made aware that the law requires a person who is dispensing must be an employee of a physician or an employee of the optometrist and if there is not an employee relationship between the unlicensed person and the optometrist then that individual is engaging in unlicensed practice and the individual should have a license to dispense optical goods.

Assistant Attorney General Monroe discussed with the Board establishing a framework for deciding issues relating to unlicensed practice.

Dr. Jones moved, Dr. Sharpton seconded and the Board voted to refer the proposed amendment Rule 430-4-.01 to the Attorney General's Office for statutory authority and review.

Dr. Jones moved, Dr. Sharpton seconded and the Board voted to post Rule 430-4-.01 upon receipt of Memorandum from the Attorney General's Office which provides the statutory authority for proposed amendment.

430-4-.01 Unprofessional Conduct.

(1) By the authority granted under Section 43-30-5 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, the Georgia Board of Examiners in Optometry has the authority to adopt, establish, enforce, and maintain rules and regulations applicable to the practice of optometry adequate to put O.C.G.A. Chapter 30, Title 43 into effect and to regulate the practice of optometry as a profession in conformity with and in compliance with accepted professional standards.

(2) Any one or all of the following acts committed by a doctor of optometry licensed in Georgia are in violation of the accepted professional standards for the practice of optometry in this State and shall constitute "unprofessional conduct" within the meaning of the O.C.G.A. Section 43-30-9, *as amended*:

(a) Continuing to practice optometry while suffering from any physical or mental disease or disability, which renders the further practice of optometry dangerous to patients or the public;

(b) Habitual intemperance in the use of ardent spirits, narcotics or stimulants to such an extent as to render the licensed doctor of optometry unfit for the careful performance of his professional duties;

(c) The intentional making of any fraudulent, misleading, or deceptive statement in any form of advertising connected with the practice of optometry, including but not limited to the tactic of 'bait and switch', whereby a product or service is advertised for a specific price but the consumer must in fact purchase additional products or product or service previously advertised;

(d) Making untruthful or improbable statements or flamboyant or extravagant claims concerning the licensed doctor of optometry's skills which are likely to deceive the public;

(e) Assisting any person other than another licensed doctor of optometry or a doctor of medicine skilled in diseases of the eyes or an employee in the prescribing or fitting of a contact lens or eyeglasses for a patient, unless the person so assisted is under his direct, personal supervision while upon the same premises. Any such employee of the licensed optometrist must work exclusively for and under the direct personal supervision of the licensed optometrist while on the same premises. In releasing a prescription for contact lens all parameters necessary for fabrication of the lens must be included.

(f) Practicing or continuing to practice optometry under, or use in connection with his practice of optometry, any assumed name, corporate name, trade name, or any name other than the name under which he is licensed to practice optometry in Georgia except under the following conditions:

(l) When doctors of optometry are practicing as partners, they may practice under the full or last names of the partners. Doctors of optometry who are employed by other doctors of optometry shall practice in their own names, but may practice in an office listed under the name of the individual or partnership of doctors of optometry by whom they are employed, provided, however, that their names shall be displayed in a manner similar to the other doctors of optometry in the practice. In the event of the death or retirement of a doctor of optometry or sale of the optometric practice, the surviving doctor or doctors or the purchaser of the practice may continue to use the name of the predecessor in addition to his own name for a period not to exceed two (2) years from the death or retirement of said predecessor. This rule shall not be construed to authorize conduct otherwise prohibited by the Patient Self-Referral Act, codified at O.C.G.A Section 43-1B-1 et seq.

(g) Publicly displaying of the licensed doctor of optometry's name upon or in any premises used for the practice of optometry, unless a licensed doctor of optometry is actually present at times optometric services are provided and unless such licensed doctor of optometry is in the practice of optometry at such premises for a minimum of four (4) hours per week;

(h) Failing to advise each patient whenever consultation with an optometric colleague or referral for other professional care seems advisable;

(i) Failing to hold in professional confidence all information concerning a patient;

(j) Exaggerating the patient's condition for the purpose of prescribing or dispensing unnecessary optometric services;

(k) Performing any dishonorable, unethical or unprofessional conduct likely to deceive, defraud or harm the public;

(l) Consistently misdiagnosing or consistently prescribing improper therapy;

(m) Violating, attempting to violate, or conspiring to violate any provision of the laws or rules pertaining to the practice of optometry in this State;

(n) Failing to provide adequate safeguards against patient abandonment. For purposes of this Rule, an optometrist shall be deemed to have provided such safeguards if he/she:

1. makes himself/herself available for twenty-four (24) hour access;

2. arranges alternative coverage by a licensed practitioner or other appropriate healthcare facility; or

3. advises prospective patients, in writing, at the time of their first visit that it is his/her policy not to be available during non-office hours;

(o) Assisting, allowing, or permitting an unlicensed person, firm, association or corporation to practice optometry in this State;

- (p) Accepting any direct or indirect payment, gift, or other remuneration of any optometric service not actually rendered;
- (q) Placing his license at the disposal or in the service or control of any person, firm, association or corporation not licensed to practice optometry in this State;
- (r) Entering into any agreement that allows an unlicensed person, firm, association, or corporation to control or attempt to control the professional judgment, the manner of practice, or the practice of a doctor of optometry. For purposes of this section, "control or attempt to control the professional judgment, the manner of practice, or the practice of the doctor of optometry" shall include but not be limited to:
1. setting or attempting to influence the professional fees of a doctor of optometry;
 2. restricting or attempting to restrict a doctor of optometry's freedom to see patients on an appointment basis;
 3. terminating or threatening to terminate any lease, agreement, or other relationship in an effort to control the professional judgment, manner of practice, or practice of a doctor of optometry;
 4. making or guaranteeing a loan to a doctor of optometry in excess of the value of the collateral securing the loan;
 5. agreeing to divide or split fees received for professional services with any person, firm, association, or corporation for the solicitation or referral of a patient, provided that the following acts shall not be construed as unprofessional conduct under this regulation unless the person, firm, association, or corporation controls or attempts to control the practice of the doctor of optometry:
- (i) entering into a bona fide lease or rental agreement based upon a percentage of gross income;
- (ii) advertising in a truthful, non-deceptive manner, or paying for such advertising based upon a percentage of gross income, as long as such advertising otherwise complies with Rules 430-4-.01(2)(c), (d) and (f) and other applicable statutes and regulations.
- (iii) nothing in this rule shall be construed to prohibit professional relationships between optometrists, medical doctors, health maintenance organizations and/or hospitals. This rule shall not be construed to authorize conduct otherwise prohibited by the Patient Self-Referral Act, codified at O.C.G.A. Section 43-1B-1 et seq.
- (s) It is the intent of subsection (r) to prevent manufacturers, wholesalers, or retailers of optical goods from controlling or attempting to control the professional judgment, manner of practice or the practice of a doctor of optometry, and the provisions of this section shall be liberally construed to carry out this intent.
- (t) Subsection (r) shall not apply where the manufacturer, wholesaler, or retailer of ophthalmic goods is a licensed doctor of optometry or a licensed physician or legal entity 100 percent owned and controlled by one or more licensed doctors of optometry or licensed physicians; however, the exception set forth in this subsection shall not apply where the doctor of optometry or legal entity has offices at more than three (3) locations.
- (u) Failing to release patient records within a reasonable period of time to a Physician or another Doctor of Optometry upon written authorization from the patient.
1. The patient shall be responsible to pay the costs of search, retrieval, copying and mailing the patient record.
- (v) Failing to respond within the time specified to a subpoena from the Board or the Board's agent.
- (3) No optometrist, or employee or agent thereof acting on his behalf, shall offer, agree to accept, or receive compensation in any form for the referral of professional services to or from another health care provider or entity. This prohibition includes any form of fee division or charging of fees for the referral of a patient.

Compliance Report:

Deborah Beard, Compliance manager, presented the Board with an update of open cases in Investigations.

Enforcement:

OPT 050028

Dr. Lord moved, Dr. Jones seconded and the board voted to close the case.

OPT 060013

Dr. Jones moved, Dr. Christie seconded and the Board voted to close the case.

OPT 060021

Dr. Lord moved, Ms. Donnelly seconded and the Board voted to close the case, with a closure letter to be sent to the licensee.

OPT 060024

Dr. Sharpton moved, Ms. Donnelly seconded and the Board voted to accept the cease and desist order and close the case.

OPT070003

Dr. Lord moved, Ms. Donnelly seconded and the Board voted to obtain one (1) patient record and to get a statement from the optometrist, obtain copy of CE's to date and to verify CPR and malpractice insurance.

OPT 070011

Ms. Donnelly moved, Dr. Lord seconded and the Board voted to accept the cease and desist order and close the case.

OPT060019/OPT070013/OPT070015

Dr. Jones moved, Dr. Christie seconded and the Board approved to send the applicant a certified letter requesting a personal appearance before the board at the July 25, 2007 meeting at 10:00 a.m.

OPT060019/OPT070013/OPT070015

Dr. Jones moved, Dr. Christie seconded and the Board moved to have Enforcement contact Terrell County schools as to whether the Optometrist has practice in school system, determine if the Optometrist received reimbursement of services during unlicensed period and obtain records where diagnoses on children with glaucoma.

OPT070019

Dr. Lord moved, Dr. Christie seconded and the Board voted to send to Investigations out for further investigation of the facility and to report back to the Board.

OPT 070020

Dr. Sharpton moved, Dr. Jones seconded and the Board voted to send investigations out for further investigation of the facility and to report back to the Board.

Applications:

Dr. Lord moved, Dr. Sharpton seconded and the Board voted to ratify the following applications for licensure determined to have met licensure requirements issued between Board meetings as follows:

Name	License No.	Obtained By	Issue Date
Blowe, Jason William	OPT002333	Examination	10/25/2006
Cotto, Carmen Idalys	OPT002334	Examination	12/07/2006
Ngo, Tracy Yen-Khanh	OPT002335	Examination	12/07/2006
Emely, Scott Thomas	OPT002336	Examination	12/11/2006
Patel, Hetal Arun	OPT002337	Examination	12/12/2006
Schultz, Brian E	OPT002338	Examination	12/12/2006
Sivertson, Courtney Ray	OPT002339	Examination	12/12/2006
Washington, Andrea Johnson	OPT002340	Examination	12/12/2006
Treston, James Henry	OPT002341	Examination	12/12/2006
Kim, Maria Mikyung	OPT002342	Examination	12/14/2006
Luzon, Vincente E	OPT002343	Examination	12/14/2006
Oluwadare, Kunle	OPT002344	Examination	12/14/2006
Nguyen, Carey M	OPT002345	Examination	12/14/2006
Mechler, Suzane S	OPT002346	Examination	12/14/2006
Horrom, Wallace Joe	OPT002347	Examination	12/14/2006
Collins, Larrious Earl, Jr.	OPT002348	Examination	12/15/2006
Davison, Janelle Lynette	OPT002349	Examination	12/18/2006
Durban, Moneera M	OPT002350	Examination	12/18/2006
Clark, Stephen Brent	OPT002351	Examination	12/18/2006
Rouw, Joseph L	OPT002352	Examination	12/28/2006
Thomas, Rajan	OPT002340	Examination	12/12/2006
Charles, Amy Sheinbein	OPT002354	Examination	01/23/2007
Shadeed, Nadira S.	OPT002355	Examination	01/30/2007
Gutierrez, Maria Fernanda	OPT002356	Examination	02/01/2007
Yu, Sae Young	OPT002357	Examination	02/08/2007
Bergenske, Peter D	OPT002358	Examination	02/09/2007
Greenberg, Stuart Marc	OPT002359	Examination	02/16/2007
Eid, Mohamed	OPT002360	Examination	03/02/2007
Sussmane, Shawn T.	OPT002361	Examination	03/16/2007
Switak, Jennifer Robyn	OPT002362	Examination	03/16/2007
Vu, Thao Mai	OPT002363	Examination	03/16/2007
Mallouk, Abdelkader	OPT002364	Examination	03/28/2007
McKay, Jennifer Gooch	OPT002365	Examination	03/28/2007
Martin, Jennifer G.	OPT002366	Examination	03/28/2007
Draper, Leslie Annette	OPT002367	Examination	03/29/2007

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

Minutes recorded by:

Ellen J. Morris, *Board Secretary*

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Sandy Bond, *Executive Director*

Kay F. Royal, *President*

Sandy Bond, *Executive Director*

These minutes were approved on August 8, 2007.